

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed August 16, 2006, set forth a restriction requirement alleging that Group I (claims 1-3 and 5-8), Group II (claims 9-16), Group III (claims 17-18 and 20), Group IV (claims 21 and 23), Group V (claims 24-26), Group VI (claims 27-29), Group VII (claims 30-32), Group VIII (claims 33-36), and Group IX (claims 37-39) are related as process and apparatus for its practice. The Office Action alleges that because the groups of inventions are distinct, the restriction requirement is proper.

Applicants hereby elect claim Group II (claims 9-16) for continued prosecution, without traverse. Applicants have canceled claims 1-3, 5-8, 17-18, 20-21, and 23-39.

All claims 9-16 are believed to be in condition for allowance, and the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass those claims to issuance. If the Examiner believes a teleconference will expedite the examination of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at 770-933-9500.

No fee is believed to be due in connection with this Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement. If, however, any fee is deemed to be payable, you are hereby authorized to charge any such fee to deposit account 08-2025.

Respectfully submitted ,

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